

MATTHEWS CREDITORS IN FAVOR OF ADOPTING COMMITTEE'S PLAN

Eighty unsecured creditors of A. J. Matthews and Co., Incorporated, holders of approximately 32,000 acres of farm land in Southeast Missouri, at a meeting on Thursday, approved a plan sponsored by the creditors' committee, calling for a division of the land of the combine. Less than half of the 192 unsecured creditors were present, although practically every section of Southeast Missouri in which the land is located, was represented.

L. S. Mitchell, of St. Louis, who has been named by the creditors' committee to have charge of the "distribution" of the land under the committee's plan, outlined the agreement which the committee had reached. He explained that under the plan a part-payment on the land taken over by a creditor could be made with the certificate of indebtedness, a part must be made in cash, and a note or first mortgage given for the remainder. The creditors are allowed to pick the land they wish, but the purchase must be approved by the creditors' committee representative. In case of more than one creditor desiring the same land, competitive bidding will be resorted to.

Following the meeting, creditors declared that it is apparent that they must either follow the committee's plan of accepting the land with its indebtedness, or close what claims they have against the corporation. It was pointed out that unless the land is taken up immediately, holders of first mortgages, who are secured creditors, will foreclose.

Only passive interest was shown

in the meeting, which was held in the Malone Theatre. The discussion was quiet and orderly. It was revealed that the total claims against the company aggregate approximately \$3,500,000, of which \$1,900,000 is in unsecured claims and the remainder is secured claims. Under an appraisal made some time ago, the 32,000 acres of land was valued at approximately \$3,200,000.

The greatest secured indebtedness against the corporation is a bond issue for \$1,700,000, which was issued early in 1923. To meet the interest on this bond issue a blanket second mortgage for \$300,000 was issued, of which \$185,000 has been paid out.

It is expected that the remaining part of the \$300,000 will be used in paying the first 1924 semi-annual interest on the bond issue, due February 1. In this case, if the land is not sold or some other disposition is made of the corporation's holdings, creditors believe that a foreclosure is certain for August 1, when the second interest installment is due.

It was announced that the same proposition will be submitted to the creditors for the city real estate of the corporation, which as yet has not been appraised.

Plats and maps of the corporation's holdings are to be kept in the office of the company in Sikeston and all prospective buyers may secure them there. No sales will be made until February 15 it was announced, but all transfers will date from February 1.—Cape Missourian.

DRAMATIC CONTEST DREW PACKED HOUSE

Friday afternoon was the time set for the dramatic contest between six schools of Southeast Missouri, each to present an one-act play, the prize to be a loving cup. Other schools had been invited to enter, but those from Charleston, Blodgett, East Prairie, Bridges, Lilbourn and Sikeston were ready when the hour arrived.

The order in which they appeared on the stage was Sikeston, Charleston, Bridges, Lilbourn, Blodgett and East Prairie. Miss Shea of the Teachers College, Cape Girardeau was the judge and she had no pleasant task before her. There were so many points that had to be considered singly and as a whole that it was no easy matter to make the final awards.

When Miss Shea turned her report in, it was found that she placed Sikeston first with East Prairie second. The following is the schools and plays presented:

Sikeston—"The Trysting Place," by Booth Tarkington.

Charleston—"Doubled Crossed," by Charles C. Mather.

Bridges—"A String of Pearls," by Clara Wallace Flint.

Lilbourn—"When the Fates Decree," by Grant H. Code.

Blodgett—"The Old Class Reunion," East Prairie—"Joint Owners in Spain," by Alice Brown.

The Standard regrets that it was unable to get a cast of characters from each of the schools, but in the hurry, the matter was overlooked. The coaches present were: Miss Lois McCord, Sikeston; Miss Lela Mae Ulmer, East Prairie; Miss Roberta Tetley, Charleston; Miss Phoebe Schaper, Bridges; Miss Frances Burch, Lilbourn; and Miss Robins, Blodgett. Supt. A. D. Simpson of Bridges was present.

The program as presented was very pleasing to those present and it is hoped to be an annual affair, it is hoped and expected that other schools will enter next year that will necessitate an all-day program.

At the close of the program, Prof. Ellise invited those participating to repair to the High School building, where supper would be served by the graduating class of the Home Economics Department under the supervision of Miss Isabelle Hess. This supper was very substantial and beautifully served. The young ladies who prepared the repast were: Sarah Malone, Nina Taylor, Ellen Hayden, Mary Williams Smith, Geneva Westcoat, Lola Smith, Pearl Allard, Camille Hill and Elise Bates.

The Standard had the pleasure of providing the ingredients for the spread and the editor was accorded a place at the head of the table with the handsome cooks.

GERMAN WOMAN'S WITTY RETORT TO CRITICISM

Koenigsberg, January 22.—Katherine von Cheimb, who is more discussed, perhaps, than any other woman member of the Reichstag, was recently attacked by the leading National organ in East Prussia for her liberal tendencies; her activities were denounced as a bit of "petticoat politics."

Mrs. von Cheimb, who is young and attractive and always immaculately gowned replied to the attack by saying: "I beg to inform you herewith, that I, according to the new code, do not wear a petticoat."

Mrs. von Cheimb maintains a large salon in Berlin, where she entertains politicians of all parties. Many important political decisions are made at her dinners. Her great influence in political circles has been described as due mainly to her courage and integrity.

When boiling an old fowl or tough meat, add a pinch of soda to the water. Simmer gently and the meat will be tender.

We shall call no names, but will state that the Popeyed Parson who lives in a cabin 1½ blocks north of The Standard office, had better mend his ways else he will be taken down about the Tile Factory and hit 50 licks with a black snake whip. A colored lady who rents the adjoining room in the cabin, entered his room a few nights ago and found two wenches occupying the bed with the parson. She was disappointed and indignant and hastily made her exit. If the lightning could strike 8 out of 10 cabins in the residence section of Sikeston, it would be doing the city a good deed.

FIRST CAR LOAD OF SHOES SHIPPED

The Sikeston branch of the International Shoe Company shipped their first carload of finished shoes to the distributing headquarters in St. Louis Monday. The Missouri Pacific had the honor of handling the shipment.

HOYT DODSON, AGED 15 FORGED \$200 CHECK

The Standard recently had a story of a youth attempting to purchase a used car from the Stubbs Motor Co., tendering a check purporting to be signed by F. W. Van Horne. He failed to put that deal through, but was not discouraged. Friday the same youth, Hoyt Dodson, 15 years of age, returned to the Stubbs Motor Co. with a check for \$200 and signed Van Horne. The check was drawn on the Bank of Sikeston and the money paid on the check. Everyone seemed to be satisfied until Saturday when Van Horne, a colored cotton raiser, needed \$25 of his \$215 he had in the Bank of Sikeston and drew a check for that small amount. He was told that his check for \$200 had been cashed the day before and the \$25 would overdraw his account. It was then that things started. The negro man denied giving the check and it was traced back to Hoyt Dodson, who told his father that he had drawn the car here in Sikeston and denied to the last that he had forged the negro's name, all in the face of half a dozen witnesses who were present when he purchased the car from the Stubbs Motor people.

Young Dodson is the son of Edwin Dodson living between Minner Switch and Blodgett and is thought to have a screw loose in his head. The father stands high in the estimation of his neighbors and as the car was taken back by the Stubbs people, the money placed to the credit of the negro man, it was thought best to turn the boy over to his father who took him home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Matthews spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau. Miss Elsie Smart of New Madrid spent the week-end in Sikeston with friends.

Mrs. Walter Moore and daughter are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gipson.

Chas. U. Becker is a candidate to succeed himself as Secretary of State on the Republican ticket. He has made a good officer but will probably be succeeded by a Democrat.

Mrs. Levi Cook and children left last Thursday for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Arthur De Smidt, in Oskosh, Wis. Miss Anna Randol accompanied them to Cairo.

A New Orleans barber complains that since women have been demanding equal rights in barber shops the last refuge of men disappears. Perhaps with all his loafing places broken up the fellow will go to work.—Clark McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

Mrs. W. P. Lambert, wife of the candy man, writing from Austin, Minn., has the following to say: "You will no doubt be glad to know that we have enjoyed your paper, it is one of the best papers published in its class. Everything in it is good and we hope you can keep right on growing, and for Sikeston we hope that every new enterprise will succeed. Since coming back to our old home we have done very well, but still remember the dear good people we learned to know in Sikeston."

Congressman Fulbright of this congressional district has introduced in the House a bill which provides that in case of sickness, accident or disability of any American soldier of the World War, whether such disability was caused by army service or not the Government shall furnish hospitalization, medical care and support until the patient is restored to health and able to follow his usual occupation or profession. The benefits will accrue to those who came out of the war without a single defect as well as to those who were injured while in the service. In our opinion this is the best bill introduced or proposed for the benefit of the soldiers, and proves Congressman Fulbright's heart to be on the proper side. We believe this bill will pass in spite of the fact that it will likely meet with strenuous opposition from the military-controlled members of Congress.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Nellie Wilson and Mrs. Florence Woodard were in New Madrid Thursday.

Mesdames Albert Deane, G. D. Steele and Miss Floe King were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Roe Hill is very ill at this writing. Mrs. F. E. Story, Mrs. O. K. Mainord and Mrs. G. D. Steele attended the show in Sikeston Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Heath of Sikeston were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Several motored to New Madrid Friday to attend the trial of Guy Wilson and Will Marr. The trial was put off until the next term of Court. Ted Atchley returned from Chicago, Wednesday, where he has been several months working.

Mrs. George is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and little son of Pharris Ridge spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alsop, Miss Lilith Deane and Alfred Deane were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mesdames Leon Swartz, Frank Sibly, Fred Story, and Donald Story attended the show in Sikeston Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kerr of New Madrid were in Matthews Sunday.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Bob Bierschwal and Mr. McAdams of New Madrid were in Morehouse, Saturday, co-operating with the vocational department of the High School they are working to place a car of sodatol in Morehouse in the near future. Mr. McAdams is planning on holding four stump-blowing demonstrations in every direction from Morehouse.

Billie Dungan of Dexter was in this city on business, Friday.

E. L. Griffin and D. L. Fisher were Cape Girardeau visitors, Thursday.

E. O. Fisher and D. L. Fisher spent Friday in Sikeston.

Paul Teal was in Gray Ridge Saturday looking after his farming interests.

Phillip Banks drove to Cape Girardeau Sunday.

J. V. Baker and Mrs. Josephine Hart were in Sikeston, Friday.

Lonnie Harrison, Earnest Arterburn, A. C. Barrett and Loomis Mayfield of Sikeston attended the Masonic Chapter here on Saturday evening.

E. L. Crumpecker made a business trip to New Madrid Wednesday of last week.

Harry McFarling spent the week-end here with his family. Mr. McFarling travels for the Goodyear Rubber Company.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Driskill and daughter, Opal, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Driskill were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sullivan last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Driskill are moving from Pochontas, Ark., down south of Morehouse near the Cross-Roads School.

C. S. Hale of St. Louis was in Morehouse Saturday and Sunday. He is attorney for Federal Land Bank.

The Morehouse girls' basketball team played the Dexter team here Friday and won by a score of 12 to 21. Vera Wellman was the star player, making all the baskets but one. The boys' team went to Poplar Bluff and lost by a score of 49 to 26.

The Morehouse Cradinals played Canolou all stars here on Saturday night and won with a score of 14 to 41.

The Missionary ladies of the M. E. Church will meet with Mrs. J. W. Sarff Thursday.

The Triangle Club entertained a number of guests with a party Friday night. One of the features was a basketball game between the fat and lean ladies. After a very hard game the leans won by the score of 10 to 4. Dancing and refreshments were enjoyed by all.

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SOUTHEAST MISSOURI SHOWN IN MOVIES

The Scott County Farm Bureau and the Lions Club of Sikeston have arranged with Manager McCutchen to show the 3-reel film of past and present Southeast Missouri. This entertainment will be given Thursday evening, February 7, and should draw a packed house. There is no scene depicted in this film but what was taken right here in this corner of the State and never again can such primitive scenes be taken for the ox team is a thing of the past for logging purposes in Southeast Missouri.

The Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau has spent much time and money to make these pictures and the opportunity to view them should not be overlooked. After the films are shown in the picture houses of Southeast Missouri, they will be sent to other parts of the country that they may see what rapid strides we have made and are making to make this the Garden Spot of Eden.

WANTED—To buy a well located lot on which to build a home. West side of North Kingshighway preferred. Address E care Standard.

Z. P. Ogilvie of Charleston was a Sikeston visitor Monday. While here he called on The Standard office. Mr. Ogilvie is a carpenter and builder and will later be in Sikeston with Jno. Young.

On last Thursday evening, at the home of Miss Etha Dye, a miscellaneous shower was given for Mrs. Tanner Dye, formerly Miss Cora Matthews, by the Young People Missionary Society. About sixty young people were present and many beautiful and useful gifts were received by the young bride.

RETAIL MERCHANTS LEAGUE FUNCTIONING

The Merchants League have perfected a plan similar to Dun's and Bradstreet's to keep tab on that part of the community which seeks credit.

A card index system has been inaugurated, which shows the standing of every man who seeks credit at any of the stores of Sikeston. These cards will be kept by the secretary and any merchant who is a member of the League can secure the rating by asking for it. The man who pays cash or does not ask for credit gets the highest rating. The man, rich or poor, who pays every week, or when he promises to, comes next, and so on. The man who is financially able to pay cash or on call, but who is hard to collect from, is not given a good rating. If John Doe quits trading with Rich Roe and attempts to open a credit account somewhere else he has to show that his account is settled at his former trading pace before he can secure further credit. Those who are doubtful, slow or uncertain, will be so designated. This card index system is being put into effect now those who are using credit should make it a point to see that their accounts are given prompt attention in order to secure a good rating. In the course of a few weeks it is expected to organize every town within forty miles of Sikeston with central headquarters in this city, in order to keep tab on those who leave one community in debt and seek credit in another community. This is a sensible move and should be encouraged by every business man for miles around as bad bills have seriously crippled every merchant who has been and is doing a credit business. In the end it is hoped to get on a cash basis strictly.

INHUMAN FATHER PRACTICED INCEST

Frank Tolliver, a negro hailing from Caruthersville, is in jail at Benton, charged with the horrible crime of incest and the selling of his 15-year-old daughter to other negroes for immoral purposes. He was arrested along with his daughter and another negro man in a cabin in the north section of Sikeston Thursday night by officers. The negro cabin contained a single bed and the father and daughter were in the bed and it was apparent that the other negro man had occupied the bed at the same time. The girl, Irene, said her father was the cause of her downfall and that he bartered her to other men for money. The penalty is a life sentence or death, but being negroes, the prosecuting witnesses may disappear or change their story before date of trial.

White folks who rent cabins to negroes should know who and how many occupy them, or tear down the cabins before worse trouble arises. It looks like morality in the negro calendar is an unknown quantity.

WOOD FOR SALE

Beginning first of next week will have several carloads of stove and heating wood. \$2.50 per rank at car door, \$3.00 per rank, delivered. Phone order to 413. St

TRUCK SMASHED AT MO. P. CROSSING

The oil truck belonging to the Sikeston Oil Company and driven by Bob Grigsby, was hit by a Missouri Pacific engine at the crossing near the Fisco station Friday morning and completely wrecked. Grigsby, the driver, was severely cut about the head and bruised from one end to the other, but no bones broken. He is frightfully sore and will be for some time, but in no danger of shuffling off this mortal coil unless complications set in.

The oil truck engine was not working good and a car was pulling it, when the smashup happened. The car passed the crossing safely and Grigsby did not see the approaching engine in time to jump.

Woolard Baker of Memphis, Tenn., visited friends in Sikeston.

Mrs. Ed Wilson is home from a visit to Hayti and other points in Pemiscot County.

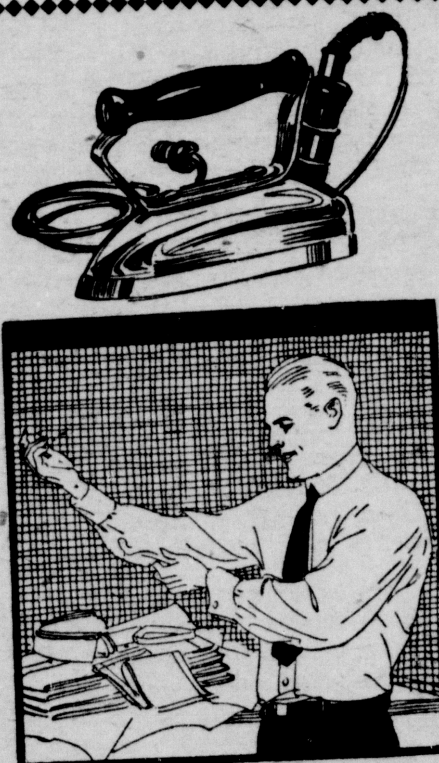
Preparations are now under way to open the highway through the E. C. Robinson Lumber Yard. Some lumber and shingles are piled in the yards and sand and gravel is on the grounds to place the foundations for such buildings as require concrete. The highway will hardly be open until early spring as road building is uncertain at this time of year.

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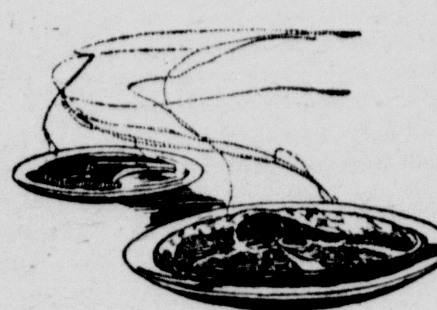
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom
Scott as a candidate for the nomina-
tion of Sheriff of Scott County, sub-
ject to the will of the voters at the
August primary.We are authorized to announce F.
K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of
Scott County, subject to the will of
the Democratic voters at the August
primary.We are authorized to announce
Parm A. Stone of Skeston for Sher-
iff of Scott County, subject to the will
of the Democratic voters at the Aug-
ust primary.

CHIEF OF POLICE

We are authorized to announce W.
R. Burks for Chief of Police of Ske-
ston, subject to the will of the vot-
ers at the April election.Sometimes we believe a commit-
tee of Christian Grandmothers would
have a helpful effect on some erring
people instead of the law officers
sending them to other towns and to
lower degradation. We can't help
but feel that a heart-to-heart talk,
the mingling of tears, a helpful hand
and proper sort of encouragement
would save souls and lift up the fall-
en.The Hunter-Gibson Co., who put
on an entertainment at the Mecca
Hall last week for the benefit of them-
selves and the Chamber of Commerce,
failed to make the enterprise pay in
dollars and cents. The slack wire
performer was as good as ever was,
the booths were attractive, and the
orchestra the best ever in the city.
Cold weather and lack of patronage
was the reason and no fault of the
Hunter-Gibson people.From St. Louis comes the news
that Senator Reed has announced for
the Presidency. Now from every
section of the State the announce-
ment should go forth that every Dem-
ocratic voter who believes in the Wil-
son Administration and clean pol-
itics, will cast their vote for McAdoo
as leader of Democracy in 1924. Reed
the traitor, will attempt to pack the
Democratic mass meetings with Re-
publicans, so every Democrat who is
against Reed and his brand of pol-
itics should attend the call meetings
and see that no friends of the traitor
is sent to the State Convention as a
delegate.We are glad to note that our wor-
thy cotemporary has a few opinions,
though he has said heretofore that
the public did not care for opinions.
His opinions on the two subjects
mentioned in his last issue coincides
with those of The Standard editor,
hence, must be right. Wish he would
express in print his opinion of the
present Republican Administration
sending arms and ammunition to one
faction in Mexico to kill another fac-
tion, and refuse to be a party to a
peace movement in Europe for fear
it would mean war. Also, what is his
opinion of the unsavory Tea Pot
Dome and American Legion Graft. It
might not be a bad idea to read if he
believes the Mellon Tax Bill will help
any of his farmer patrons. The Stan-
dard believes opinions will count if
they are the right kind of opinions.25 Ounces for 25¢
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POLITICAL LETTER
FROM WASHINGTONWashington, D. C., January 25.—
Missouri is again taking the place in
the House to which she is rightfully
entitled by reason of her wealth,
population, economic importance,
history and traditions. In the last
Congress the State had but two Dem-
ocrats out of sixteen Members, one
of the disastrous results of the Har-
ding landslide of 1920, but in the
present Congress she can boast of
eleven Democrats—a larger propor-
tionate gain than was made by any
other State in the Union. Missouri
is indeed fortunate in the character,
ability, earnestness and faithfulness
of these men. They are constantly
on the job and making their presence
felt in the Committee and on the
floor. Of those who have been in
previous Congresses, there is the
veteran of ten years service, Judge
Dickinson, than whom no man stands
higher in the estimation of the
House; Major Harry Hawes, back
with a much increased majority and
on the job in the House every day;
Governor Rubey, Sam Major, Capt.
Milligan and "Andy" Romjue, all
rapidly becoming veterans. The other
Democrats, Judge Lozier, Mayor
Jost, Clarence Cannon, James F. Ful-
bright and J. Scott Wolff, all serving
their first terms, but are widely and
abundantly experienced in the law
and in public service. One of them,
Clarence Cannon, who represents the
old Champ Clark district, spent nearly
a dozen years in the employ of
the House, as Journal Clerk and Par-
liamentary expert, so that Congress-
ional work is an old story to him.
Taking them up one side and down
the other, no State has a better group
of Representatives on the floor of the
House. They have a foothold in some
of the very best Committees of the
House, and political changes and the
mutations of time will move them
higher with each succeeding Con-
gress. If one is to judge from the
accounts which come from Missouri,
the next election will enlarge rather
than reduce the present Democratic
delegation from the State.Some of the Democrats feel that
it is almost unnecessary for them to
flay the administration, for it is be-
ing done almost every day by lead-
ers of the President's own party. One
of the latest explosions comes from
the wealthy and dignified Senator
Couzens of Michigan. Here is some
of his language delivered point-blank
on the floor of the Senate and with
full knowledge that it would be read
my the Secretary of the Treasury and
some millions of others: "More dis-
honest statements, misstatements if
not absolute falsehoods, have been
handed out at the Treasury for the
purpose of misleading the public than
ever were issued by a public depart-
ment in my recollection. * * * It is
the duty of the Senate to find out
the motives back of propaganda and
misstatements. In a statement issued
by the Secretary of the Treasury a
few days ago he made the statement
that all surtaxes are passed on to
the consumer, and therefore a reduc-
tion in the cost of living. A school-
boy would know better than to make
such a statement as that, and yet he
is heralded throughout the press of
the country as the Hamilton of the
Treasury. There never was a greater
representative of the moneyed in-
terests of the country in the Treas-
ury Department than there is at this
particular time, and yet he has the
impudence to bring into public dis-
cussion the private affairs of a citi-
zen whose record he has, and he is
the only man in the country who has
that record." In this Senator Couz-
ens was referring to Secretary Mel-
lon's charge that Senator Couzens
had put part of his money into tax-
exempt securities.A dispatch from Pittsburgh to a
Washington newspaper exclaims at
the wonderful self-abnegation of Mr.
Mellon in accepting a job in the cab-
inet at twelve thousand per year
when he could be making millions in
Pittsburgh. It is to be wondered if
any poor fish believes that Mr. Mel-
lon is not making as many millions
at Pittsburgh as before he came to
Washington. In addition to this, he
has witnessed, since he has been in
the Treasury, the cutting of his cor-
poration taxes, largely at his own
hands, and the cutting of his person-
al taxes. Now he is seeking to put
through his Relief for Needy Mil-
lionaires; all of these things profit Mr.
Mellon about as much as they
benefit any other man in America.
More, he has seen the Congress, in
daily consultation with the experts
employed in his Department, raise the
import taxes on aluminum wares to
such an extent as to beat-fit himself,
the biggest aluminum manufacturer
in the land, by millions. His presence
here at twelve thousand salary has,
in this one matter alone, made him a
fortune for each year that is to comeuntil the day when the awakened in-
telligence of the people cuts the life
out of these tariff rates which are,
all unseen, eating at their vitals. In
order to further enrich this multi-mil-
lionaire, every housewife in the
land has to pay tribute to the alumin-
um-king—King Andy the First.He who likes to indulge in muck-
raking can easily get a stomach-full
under the present administration. As-
ide from the Mellon performances,
there are the sickening disclosures
connecting Secretary Fall with pres-
ents ranging from cattle to cash, al-
leged to have been passed about in
Harry Sinclair's deal to get hold of
Teapot Dome. Then there is the
Forbes case—two thousand pages of
the horrible details of the manipula-
tions by Forbes and his associates of
the funds which Congress and the
people intended should go to the use
of our sick and wounded soldiers. All
of this evidence has been in the hands
of Attorney General Daugherty for
months, yet he has not turned a
wheel in the direction of performing
the duties which he is under oath to
perform. There are three members
of the cabinet, with Denby's actions
in the Teapot Dome lease still to be
looked into. Now we are about to
have an investigation which will re-
mind the public of the tragedy of the
late Senator J. Ralph Burton of Kan-
sas, who was yanked from his seat
in the Senate because of a violation
of that Statute which makes it un-
lawful for a member of House or
Senate to act as an attorney in any
case before a department of the gov-
ernment. The investigation will be
into the allegations relative to the
propriety of the actions of Senator
Spencer, Republican from Missouri,
in connection with the Fouke Fur Co.,
of St. Louis, which holds a secret
compact with Secretary Hoover's De-
partment (cabinet officer No. 5 to be
mentioned in this article) for the ex-
ploitation of the Pribiloff Islands
seal herd. It is stated that under
this contract the Government gets
less than two dollars per skin for the
seal skins. (A good muskrat skin
will now bring about this amount in
the market.) When these skins are
died and made into a garment the
rate skin goes up into the hundreds
of dollars. This company presented
Mrs. Harding with a coat (Senator
Spencer being present) which was
said at the time to be worth two thou-
sand dollars. In the Senatorial dis-
cussions which led up to the order-
ing of a committee investigation of
Senator Spencer, the fact was
brought out that the fur company had
mailed Senator Spencer checks total-
ing more than eighty-one thousand
dollars, payable to Spencer and Don-
nell. While they were payable to
the law firm, it is alleged they were
mailed from the fur company's offices
in St. Louis to Senator Spencer in
Washington, while Mr. Donnell was
in St. Louis.

Great Rebuilding Force

The greatest community recon-
structive force of rebuilding burned
homes, business places, industries and
cities devastated by conflagrations is
insurance.In England they speak of it as as-
surance. But insurance or assurance,
the idea expressed is one of the main
objects of intelligent life and social
organization.Human society is an invention
evolved and perfected through the
ages by mankind for the purpose of
giving its members insurance or as-
surance against misfortunes and pro-
vision for needs. There is no human
service that makes a stronger appeal
to the mind that is rational and na-
ture.Insurance of property is an econom-
ic problem, a business. It is much
more. Insurance is in the main
founded on the qualities of human
mind and heart which make civilized
society possible.For it is the man who is willing to
make sacrifice for others and who
has intelligence and self-control
enough to seek provision for misfor-
tune who makes civilized society pos-
sible.Insurance will spread with the
spread of popular intelligence. It is
one of the chief factors in American
prosperity and well-being and its
importance is steadily increasing. It
is a business, but it is also and
above all, service. It has been built
up by private initiative and enter-
prise.SNOW IS FORECAST
IN MIDDLE OF WEEKWashington, January 27.—Weath-
er outlook for week beginning Mon-
day:Upper Mississippi and Lower Mis-
souri Valleys—Generally fair ex-
cept snows probable middle of the
week; normal temperature first half,
considerably colder latter half.West Gulf States—Fair and rising
temperature first part, unsettled and
rains middle of the week, fair and
colder latter part.BRYAN GIVES HIS IDEA OF
THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORMNew York, January 22.—The Dem-
ocratic party will face the voters in
the presidential campaign in Novem-
ber with a platform calling for tax-
ation and tariff reduction, a soldiers'
bonus and legislation to aid labor and
agriculture, and a general program
opposed to class government, William
Jennings Bryan, choice candidate for
the presidency, said last night at a
dinner given by James W. Gerard,
former Ambassador to Germany.The primary issue in the campaign,
which he predicted would be the
most hotly contested in many years,
Bryan said, would be taxation. The
Democratic substitute for the Mellon
tax reduction bill, he declared, gave
greater reductions and "discriminated
in favor of the masses instead of the
holders of large incomes." He ex-
pressed the opinion that party lines
in Congress would break on consid-
eration of the measure which he as-
serted, would more resemble the
Democratic bill than the Mellon
measure when it reached the Presi-
dent.The speaker criticized the Republi-
can administration for its alleged re-
fusal to aid the farmers, declaring the
usual was based not on hostility to
agriculture but on an unconscious
bias in favor of the commercial in-
terests. He asserted the Democrats
intended remedial legislation both for
the farmers and for labor.Because the present Supreme
Court attempted "to set up the opin-
ion of conservative Judges against
social progress", Bryan said, it was
likely both parties would favor a
constitutional amendment requiring
six or seven Judges to concur in nul-
lifying legislation.MORE ELECTRIC SERVICE
FOR SOUTHEAST MISSOURIPoplar Bluff, Mo., January 24.—
The Union Electric Light and Power
Company service in several more
towns in Southeast Missouri is a
probability and it is virtually a cer-
tainty that the service will be extend-
ed to a number of new points in the
near future. The construction of the
connecting link between the eastern
terminus of the original Poplar Bluff
transmission system at Dexter and
the western terminus of the Cape
Girardeau district at Moberhouse has
been finished and the Cape Girardeau
and the Poplar Bluff systems are
nearing the point where service is
interchangeable.The installation of the big 1000-
kilowatt substation in his city has
been completed. An election will
be held in the city of Essex on Feb-
ruary 5 to vote on granting a fran-
chise to the Union Company and
including a contract for fourteen
street lights. If the franchise is
granted the company will be ready
to turn current into Essex in thirty
days.Mayor Dees of Bernie is circulat-
ing a petition among the citizens of
the town to bring the company into
that city. A franchise already has
been granted in the name of an in-
dividual. Malden, Bloomfield and
Puxico also has sought to interest
the Union company in establishing
business connections in those cities
and some investigations of the
feasibility of the propositions have
been made by the officials of the
company.Under prohibition many New York
hotels have increased their charges
for various items of attendance. An
American was explaining these
charges to an English visitor. "And
then, of course," he concluded, "there
is the hat boy.""Who's he?" asked the English-
man."He's the fellow you give your hat
to when you come in and buy it back
from when you go out."—London Ex-
press.

Children's coughs

often become dangerous when
neglected. Give Dr. Bell's Pine-
Tar Honey at once. It contains
just the medicines your doctor
prescribes to break up a cough,
combined with the good old time-
remedy—pine-tar honey. It loos-
ens hard-packed phlegm, stops
coughing and reduces inflamma-
tion. Children love the taste.All druggists. Be sure to get
the genuine.

DR. BELL'S Pine-Tar Honey

Read and Ponder

Please publish for the welfare of
the poor working woman with no
education and little children to sup-
port:Beware of the male race. Now
take those women and young women
with an education and old down an
office job or a school Miss, they can
be caught at the very act, but they
are So and So. Oh, she's a steno-
grapher, or she is Mr. and Mrs. So and So's
daughter, her dad's a moneyman. We
can't afford to turn her down. She
goes on. People still hold her up,
she is more careful, from then on
plays the game more on the sly.
Take a woman no one to help her and
a little child to support, no one to
look to for a penny and has such a
mother's love in her heart, that
some money man comes along, helps
her out and she falls, and gives that
man her strength, soul and body for
the sake of her child. Maybe this
man helps this woman out when in
deep trouble. A real mother, one
who devotes all her life and time to
her child, ruins her own life to keep
her child in her arms, so when these
cold winter nights, when the north
wind sounds pitiful moans and the
kettle sings on the stove, she can
draw her child to her bosom and say
her babe is warm and not hungry
and through this consolation the
mother does not realize what might
happen. She goes on and on and if
the man should be a married man,
the wife catches on, and oh, boy! look
out. That poor woman is worse than
a snake to the public. Everyone kicks
her down. Mrs. Jones goes over to
Mrs. Smith's, "oh did you hear about
Mrs. So and So and Mr. So and So."
"Oh, that is awful, merciful Heavens
and Oh Gee" and from house to house
it goes, and Mrs. Jones goes home
and begins to talk to herself, and
someone listening hears her say, "of
course she is not doing any worse
than me or other women, but no one
knows it on me, oh gee! I hope I
don't get caught at my game." Any-
way, I can't afford to let this woman
work for me. I can't afford to let
people see me go there." Even tho
her own conscience tells her she is just
as good as she is. So the wife gets
very mad at this woman, and what's
the use to get mad at the other wo-
man and damage her. Kick the man,
beat him up, let this one woman
alone, if it had not been her it would
have been some other woman. There
are more women playing the gametoday who has a fine car to rid in and
a swell home to live in and a husband
for protection than there is working
women. What's a woman today to
do. She has a home to keep up her
rent to pay, herself and child to feed
and cloth, her fuel to buy. She goes
to an old factory, gets seven or eight
dollars a week. Maybe starts in with
six. What is she to do? And you
that are without sin, cast a stone at
her and when the good Judgment
days come, the woman won't get all
the blame. The men with her will
suffer for their sins same as the wo-
man. Oh, what a consolation—An
Inter-ster Party.

Of foreign foes our country has no

fears. Our greatest menace is mul-
tiplication and needless extension of
governmental functions and regula-
tions by state and nation.Bureaucracy is the canker-worm
at the root of our government, feder-
al and local. If it is not blocked in
its slow, unseen attacks, something
is going to happen. The present ad-
ministration is tackling the evil in
calling for immediate reduction in ex-
penditures. The budget system, in-
augurated under a former adminis-
tration, is hopeful against further
approachments; but the worm is
heavily entrenched and it grows on
what it eats (taxes) and spreads its
power to new places every season.ALL KINDS OF
POULTRY WANTEDWe will have a Poultry Car on
the track at our house for three
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Jan. 30-31, Feb. 1st

We will pay highest market
prices for your poultry of
all kinds.

GOODWIN & JEAN

The Farmer and the Railroads

THIS is the third of a series of articles about the railway transportation situation
and its relation to Agriculture. This article, which deals with production
costs, shows the parallel positions in which the railroads and the farmers find
themselves.

Railroads have only one thing to sell—and that is SERVICE.

The production of that service has grown to be the second largest industry in
America—second only in importance to Agriculture. The production of transporta-
tion service involves the labor of 2,000,000 men, 400,000 miles of railroad tracks,
68,718 locomotives, 56,900 passenger train cars, not to mention terminals, stations,
freight houses, round houses, shops and other vast properties required.Taxes, fuel, wages, material and supplies are the principal items entering into
the cost of producing transportation. In 1922 taxes (Local, State and Federal)
increased 91 Million over 1917; fuel increased 170 Million; pay rolls increased 942
Million; and material and supplies increased 500 Million Dollars.To meet an ever-increasing demand for more and better service to care for a
traffic which is doubling every ten years, funds for a higher standard of railroad
maintenance and operation, and for improvements, additions and betterments to
the railroad plant of a Billion Dollars each year must be forthcoming.The railroads do not fix the rates charged for the service they are called upon to
render. The Interstate Commerce Commission and various State commissions
fix those. One result is that railroads paid in 1922 more in taxes than in
dividends!The point is that the railroads find themselves in exactly the same
position as the Farmer. The Farmers must buy in a market where the
price is "fixed by the other fellow" and they are forced to sell their products
on markets where again, the price is "fixed by the other fellow." The only
difference is that the law of supply and demand largely determines the
prices of both what the Farmer buys and sells while that law works only
one way for the railroads. On the selling end, it is the government agencies
that say what the railroads shall receive for their service.That the railroads have managed to make headway, especially in the last year,
is a tribute to the efficiency of railway managements. That Agriculture has en-
countered difficulties certainly is not the fault of the Railroads.AND REDUCING FREIGHT RATES WILL NOT HELP THE GENERAL
SITUATION ANY MORE THAN FURTHER REDUCTIONS IN THE PRICES
OF FARM PRODUCTS WILL HELP.Another factor that must be considered is that more than a million men are
employed in steel mills, coal mines, lumber mills, and other allied industries almost
wholly dependent upon the railroads for their livelihood. Taking away the income
of the railroads and forcing a curtailment in their expenditures for labor and material
would destroy the purchasing power of this vast army of consumers of farm products.The cost of producing railroad transportation will depend always, to an immeas-
urable extent, upon the character of service demanded of the railways. The rail-
roads are today giving to America the best and cheapest transportation service in
the world. I do not believe that America will ever be satisfied with less.

I solicit your co-operation and suggestions.



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NEW MUSCLE SHOALS OFFER BY SOUTHERN CONCERNS

Washington January 25.—A proposal for manufacture of fertilizers at Muscle Shoals, Ala., under processes designed to reduce its cost to farmers to "less than half" the present prices, has been worked out by three experts in fixed nitrogen production in association with the three Southern power companies that have offered \$100,000,000 for a 50-year lease on the Government's war-time project.

The proposal, prepared for submission to Secretary Weeks today, contemplates formation of a \$5,000,000 corporation to manufacture up to 50,000 tons of fertilizer annually at Nitrate Plant No. 1, the rental for which will be fixed by Congress.

The proposal calls for the maintenance of Plant No. 2, in condition for emergency operation by the Government and relinquishment of Plant No. 1 on 90 days notice if needed for national defense.

The power companies participating in the new offer are the Tennessee Electric Power Co., the Memphis Power and Light Co., and the Alabama Power Co.

Representatives of the Union Carbide Co. of New York today appeared before the House Military Committee to explain the concerns offered to manufacture fertilizer at Muscle Shoals. Under the offer, it was pointed out \$150,000 would be paid out annually by the company for power generated at Dam No. 2 and a rental of \$150,000 yearly would be paid for Nitrate Plant No. 2. The committee was told that 100,000 tons of fertilizer would be produced annually.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

A bank robber under arrest in Memphis for complicity in the hold-up of a bank in a Salt Lake City suburb, wanted also in Canada, expresses his willingness to face charges in Utah, but he will resist any attempt to take him back to Canada.

A bandit caught in a sensational raid in Minneapolis was found to be a fugitive from Canadian justice. He was anxious to go into the Minneapolis courts and plead guilty, but in vain. Taken back to the Dominion, he has been given a life sentence for burglaries and robberies, with a periodical lashing thrown in.

It is all very instructive. Why do lawbreakers fight against being tried in the courts of Canada? Why do they prefer to take chances in the courts of the United States? Because in Canada justice is swift and unerring and there is no maudlin sympathy wasted upon confirmed evildoers.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Lofty thoughts do not fill the belly, but they nourish the soul.

SOME SCOTT COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

Trustees of district parsonage of M. E. Church South to G. W. Arterburn lots 1, 2 blk. 3 Applegate 2nd addition, Sikeston, \$1.

T. W. Stehlin to O. W. and D. M. McCutchen, part lot 1, all lot 2, part lot 3, blk 10, Sikeston, \$25,000.

Bettie Matthews to E. C. Robinson Lumber Co., part outblock 29, Sikeston, \$5.

Jesse Miller to Chas. Burger, 1,813 acres and 2.5 acres surveys 2879 and 2478, \$7000.

Peter Enderle et al to Hugo Le Grand, 80 acres 16-28-13, \$1.

J. H. Yount to Mary Marshall, lot 6 outblock 24, Sikeston, \$12,200.

L. M. Stallcup to Harry Cole, part lots 18, 19, 20 block 2 Sikeston, \$18,000.

H. G. Townsend to First State Bank of Illinois, lot 1, 2 block 4 Uelsmann add, Illinois, \$1.

T. J. Thompson to W. J. Page, lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Crowder, \$1.

R. E. Wiley to A. F. Lindsay, lot 4 and part of 3 block 5 Applegate 2nd addition Sikeston, \$1500.

Leo Becker to D. W. Chapman, 280 acres 21-27-14, \$100.

Leo Becker to D. W. Chapman, 215.5 acres 2-27-13, \$100.

E. C. Matthews to Odes Godwin, lot 9 block 11 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1800.

E. N. Leech to Elmos Taylor, lot 3 block 5 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$150.

S. H. Hampton to C. D. Jones, lots 5, 6 block 25 McCoy-Tanner 6th addition Sikeston, \$200.

S. H. Hampton to E. B. Ward, lot 6 and part lot 5 block 10 McCoy-Tanner 3rd addition Sikeston, \$100.

Wylie & Packwood to Ed Ervin, 3 acres 18-29-13, \$1500.

Daniel Fish to Wm. Lancaster, land in 17-28-13, \$900.

J. G. Powell to L. D. Boswell, 76.815 acres 29-26-13, \$7650.

J. G. Powell to James Dye, 76.815 Clyde Roberts to Wylie & Packwood, lot 21 block 41, Chaffee, \$1500.

J. T. Huey to O. F. Anderson, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 block 2 Smith addition Blodgett, \$1.

Elmos Taylor to E. N. Leech, lot 17 block 50 McCoy-Tanner 9th add. Sikeston, \$1800.

Bettie Matthews et al to J. N. Walker, lot 7 Matthews 2nd addition Sikeston, \$1500.

J. M. Morgan to C. E. Sutton, lots 3, 4, 5 block 3 Blumenberg addition Fornfelt, \$1257.99.

M. V. Harris to Mayme Harris, lots 3, 4 block 4 McPheeters addition Benton, \$1.

E. A. Lawrence to L. M. Stallcup, lots 5, 6 Stallcup 1st addition Sikeston, \$1.

C. D. Matthews, Jr., to J. L. West, lot 4 block 9 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1.

C. D. Matthews, Jr., to J. Otto Habs, lot 20 block 12 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1.

F. S. Bice to Earl Keen, lot 7 blk. 1 Bice 3rd addition Perkins, \$100.

F. S. Bice to R. C. Willett, lot 16 block 1 Bice 3rd addition Perkins, \$100.

P. J. Newell to D. P. Lincoln, lot 6 blk. 15 Chaffee, \$750.

Lou's Schott to Joe Trammell, 39 1/4 acres 20-29-13, \$1300.

Lawrence Welter to A. A. Belk, lots 3, 4 block 3 Ellis-Greer-James 1st addition Ance, \$1400.

W. P. Wilkerson to Lucille Hilleman, lot land part lot 2 block 1 Applegate 1st addition Sikeston, \$1.

W. B. Fowler to Nettie Bartlett, lots 17, 18, 19, 20 block 20 McCoy-Tanner 4th addition Sikeston, \$3200.

—Benton Democrat.

LARGENT NAMED ON STATE BOARD

Jefferson City January 24.—Gov. Hyde has appointed W. W. Largent of Portageville, New Madrid County, a member of the State Board of Pharmacy for a term of five years to succeed R. A. Doyle of East Prairie, Mississippi County, whose term expired. The Board is now entirely Republican in politics. Doyle was the last Democrat.

BOY IS KILLED WITH A SNOWBALL

Perryville, January 26.—Harry Roberts, 7 years old, is dead at his home near Belique from a blow from a frozen snowball, thrown by a companion. The child was hit in the abdomen by the snowball on January 16, and died two days later. Physicians said that the blow caused an internal hemorrhage. The child was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roberts and is survived by six brothers and three sisters.

LIQUIDATION SALE FOR CASH ONLY

Owing to a decision to discontinue farming, this corporation offers for sale all of its stock of horses, mules, cattle, hogs, implements, tools, cotton seed, hay, corn, etc.

This is a real opportunity to save money.

A. J. Matthews & Co., Inc.

MALDEN, MO.

SIKESTON, MO.

ORAN, MO.

MOREHOUSE MAN HAS DISAPPEARED

Morehouse January 25.—Friends her care mystified by the disappearance of Rainey Watson, 36, a newspaper agent, who disappeared from Morehouse Monday afternoon and has not since been seen. At the time he is alleged to have been last seen he had approximately \$300 in cash, friends say, and they suspect foul play.

Reports are that he was last seen going toward the swamps near here. Some believe he has gone to join his children, who are making their home in Arkansas. His wife lives here.

NO MORE "FORDS FREE"

Upon information furnished by certain merchants in this city, Prosecuting Attorney C. A. Powell has served notice that the giving of automobiles and other prizes in the manner heretofore practiced in Dexter and various other towns throughout the country, must stop in Stoddard county.

It seems that such practice has been classed as a lottery and is therefore, unlawful. While this action was not entirely unexpected, it is nevertheless deplored by merchants of this city who were favorable to the proposition, as well as the purchasing public who appreciated the spirit in which the gift distributions were made.

No one connected with the proposition had any thought of seeking to violate the law or of committing a wrong. The coupons were given in a spirit of appreciation of patronage and the prizes were awarded in the hope of fostering a closer and friendlier relationship between the city and the community it strives to serve.

However, the plan was not acceptable to some and a law was found that seems to prohibit it, so if you have an auto coupons of issue F, please forget it.—Dexter Statesman.

Women have brains like men but they fetter them by dependence.

Bad women have wrecked more nations than war, famine and pestilence.

Napoleon's family might still be ruling if he had kept out of Russia. He is the greatest example of a man who went too far.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Louis Hinkle, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such administratrix at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1924.

ELLA HINKLE,

SAVED SICK SPELLS

Black-Draught Found Valuable by a Texas Farmer, Who Has Known Its Usefulness Over 30 Years.

Naples, Texas.—"I have used Thedford's Black-Draught for years—I can safely say for more than 30 years," declares Mr. H. H. Cromer, a substantial well-known farmer, residing out from here on Route 3.

"I am 43 years old, and when a small boy I had indigestion and was puny and my folks gave me a liver regulator. Then Black-Draught was advertised and we heard of it.

"I began to take Black-Draught, and have used it, when needed, ever since. I use Black-Draught now in my home, and certainly recommend it for any liver trouble.

"I have given it a thorough trial, and after thirty years can say Black-Draught is my stand-by. It has saved me many sick spells."

Mr. Cromer writes that he is "never out of Black-Draught," and says several of his neighbors prefer it to any other liver medicine.

"I always recommend Black-Draught to my friends," he adds. "This valuable old, powdered liver medicine is prepared from medicinal roots and herbs, and has none of the bad effects so often observed from the use of calomel, or other powerful mineral drugs. Be sure to get the genuine, Thedford's."

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Rags, Feathers and Rubber

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Farm loans, long time, low interest rate. Correspondence invited.

PUBLIC SALE

I will offer for sale at the McCord Sale Barn in Sikeston, Missouri, on

Saturday, Feb. 2

at 1:00 p. m., the following described property:

2 mules; 1 horse; 1 cow with calf by side; 6 shoats, averaging about 75 lbs.; 1 Deering binder; 1 Superior wheat drill; 1 corn planter; 1 breaking plow; 1 cultivator; 1 mower; 1 Weber & Damme wagon with bed and sideboards complete.

TERMS:—On sums under \$10, cash; over \$10, bankable note due October 1st at 8 per cent interest.

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more Ford cars and trucks were produced last year than the previous year, an increase of over 50 per cent.

In spite of this tremendous increase in production, it was impossible to meet delivery requirements during the spring and summer months when orders for 350,000 Ford Cars and Trucks could not be filled.

This year winter buying for immediate delivery has been more active than ever before—and in addition 200,000 orders have already been booked through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan for spring delivery.

These facts clearly indicate that the demand during this spring and summer will be far greater than ever, and that orders should be placed immediately with Ford Dealers as a means of protection against delay in securing your Ford Car or Truck or Fordson Tractor.

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A small deposit down, with easy payments of the balance arranged, or your enrollment under the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan, will put your order on the preferred list for spring delivery.

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IN OUR JANUARY UNLOADING SALE

Saturday, our opening day, exceeded our expectations. People living as far distant as Caruthersville, in Pemiscot County, were buying in this Unloading Sale, Saturday, and hundreds of people were here from adjoining counties.

WHEN WE SAY A BIG SALE --- PEOPLE KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE BIG

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Saturday was a Big Suit-Selling Day

If you have not looked these suits over you have missed an opportunity to buy a suit at real bargain prices.

Suits formerly selling \$24.75 to \$55.00

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You will find a splendid lot of coats and a fair range of sizes



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Furnishing Goods for Men

We cannot undertake to mention each item in our immense stock of shirts, underwear, pajamas, socks, neckwear, gloves, sweaters, hats, caps, etc., but when you come here and see the outstanding values throughout these lines, you will be delighted.

HERE'S A FEW ITEMS

Van Husen Collars	35c
Corliss Coon Linen Collars	7c
20c Men's Dress Socks	9c
25c Children's Stockings	15c
Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs	5c
Men's Canvass Gloves	10c
Men's Blue Work Shirts	69c
Men's Grey Work Shirts	69c
220 Weight Men's Overalls	\$1.27
Men's Heavy Ribbed Union Suits	95c
Boys' Heavy Ribbed Union Suits	65c
Men's Dress Shirts, without collar	95c
Men's Dress Shirts, collar attached	95c

Shoes - Shoes



Shoes - Shoes

Our Shoe Department is recognized as the best in Southeast Missouri--featuring high-grade footwear at nominal prices. In this sale we are selling high-grade shoes at low prices. This is your big opportunity of the year to buy Good Shoes Cheap.



Visit This Sale Every Day---You'll Find Values Worth Your Time

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LEADING MEN'S STORE OF SIKESTON

MATTHEWS CREDITORS IN FAVOR OF ADOPTING COMMITTEE'S PLAN

Eighty unsecured creditors of A. J. Matthews and Co., Incorporated, holders of approximately 32,000 acres of farm land in Southeast Missouri, at a meeting on Thursday, approved a plan sponsored by the creditors' committee, calling for a division of the land of the combine. Less than half of the 192 unsecured creditors were present, although practically every section of Southeast Missouri in which the land is located, was represented.

L. S. Mitchell, of St. Louis, who has been named by the creditors' committee to have charge of the "distribution" of the land under the committee's plan, outlined the agreement which the committee had reached. He explained that under the plan a part-payment on the land taken over by a creditor could be made with the certificate of indebtedness, a part must be made in cash, and a note or first mortgage given for the remainder. The creditors are allowed to pick the land they wish, but the purchase must be approved by the creditors' committee representative. In case of more than one creditor desiring the same land, competitive bidding will be resorted to.

Following the meeting, creditors declared that it is apparent that they must either follow the committee's plan of acquiring the land with its indebtedness, or close what claims they have against the corporation. It was pointed out that unless the land is taken up immediately, holders of first mortgages, who are secured creditors, will foreclose.

Only passive interest was shown

in the meeting, which was held in the Malone Theatre. The discussion was quiet and orderly.

It was revealed that the total claims against the company aggregate approximately \$3,500,000, of which \$1,900,000 is in unsecured claims and the remainder is secured claims. Under an appraisal made some time ago, the 32,000 acres of land was valued at approximately \$3,200,000.

The greatest secured indebtedness against the corporation is a bond issue for \$1,700,000,000 which was issued early in 1923. To meet the interest on this bond issue a blanket second mortgage for \$300,000 was issued, of which \$185,000 has been paid out.

It is expected that the remaining part of the \$300,000 will be used in paying the first 1924 semi-annual interest on the bond issue, due February 1. In this case, if the land is not sold or some other disposition is made of the corporation's holdings, creditors believe that a foreclosure is certain for August 1, when the second interest installment is due.

It was announced that the same proposition will be submitted to the creditors for the city real estate of the corporation, which as yet has not been appraised.

Plans and maps of the corporation's holdings are to be kept in the office of the company in Sikeston and all prospective buyers may secure them there. No sales will be made until February 15 it was announced, but all transfers will date from February 1.—Cape Missourian.

DRAMATIC CONTEST DREW PACKED HOUSE

Friday afternoon was the time set for the dramatic contest between six schools of Southeast Missouri, each to present an one-act play, the prize to be a loving cup. Other schools had been invited to enter, but those from Charleston, Blodgett, East Prairie, Bridges, Lilbourn and Sikeston were ready when the hour arrived.

The order in which they appeared on the stage was Sikeston, Charleston, Bridges, Lilbourn, Blodgett and East Prairie. Miss Shea of the Teachers College, Cape Girardeau was the judge and she had no pleasant task before her. There were so many points that had to be considered singly and as a whole that it was no easy matter to make the final awards.

When Miss Shea turned her report in, it was found that she placed Sikeston first with East Prairie second. The following is the schools and plays presented:

Sikeston—"The Trysting Place," by Booth Tarkington.
Charleston—"Doubled Crossed," by Charles C. Mather.
Bridges—"A String of Pearls," by Clara Wallace Flint.

Lilbourn—"When the Fates Deceives," by Grant H. Code.

Blodgett—"The Old Class Reunion," East Prairie—"Joint Owners in Spain," by Alice Brown.

The Standard regrets that it was unable to get a cast of characters from each of the schools, but in the hurry, the matter was overlooked. The coaches present were: Miss Lois McCord, Sikeston; Miss Lela Mae Ulmer, East Prairie; Miss Roberta Tetley, Charleston; Miss Phoebe Schaper, Bridges; Miss Frances Burch, Lilbourn; and Miss Robins, Blodgett. Supt. A. D. Simpson of Bridges was present.

The program as presented was very pleasing to those present and as this is to be an annual affair, it is hoped and expected that other schools will enter next year that will necessitate an all-day program.

At the close of the program, Prof. Ellise invited those participating to repair to the High School building, where supper would be served by the graduating class of the Home Economics Department under the supervision of Miss Isabelle Hess. This supper was very substantial and beautifully served. The young ladies who prepared the repast were: Sarah Malone, Nina Taylor, Ellen Hayden, Mary Williams Smith, Geneva Westcoat, Lola Smith, Pearl Allard, Camille Hill and Elise Bates.

The Standard had the pleasure of providing the ingredients for the spread and the editor was accorded a place at the head of the table with the handsome cooks.

GERMAN WOMAN'S WITTY RETORT TO CRITICISM

Koenigsberg, January 22.—Katherine von Cheimb, who is more discussed, perhaps, than any other woman member of the Reichstag, was recently attacked by the leading National organ in East Prussia for her liberal tendencies; her activities were denounced as a bit of "petticoat politics."

Mrs. von Cheimb, who is young and attractive and always immaculately gowned replied to the attack by saying: "I beg to inform you herewith, that I, according to the new code, do not wear a petticoat."

Mrs. von Cheimb maintains a large salon in Berlin, where she entertains politicians of all parties. Many important political decisions are made at her dinners. Her great influence in political circles has been described as due mainly to her courage and integrity.

When boiling an old fowl or tough meat, add a pinch of soda to the water. Simmer gently and the meat will be tender.

We shall call no names, but will state that the Popeyed Parson who lives in a cabin 1½ blocks north of The Standard office, had better mend his ways else he will be taken down about the Tile Factory and hit 50 licks with a black snake whip. A colored lady who rents the adjoining room in the cabin, entered his room a few nights ago and found two wenches occupying the bed with the parson. She was disappointed and indignant and hastily made her exit. If the lightning could strike 8 out of 10 cabins in the residence section of Sikeston, it would be doing the city a good deed.

FIRST CAR LOAD OF SHOES SHIPPED

The Sikeston branch of the International Shoe Company shipped their first carload of finished shoes to the distributing headquarters in St. Louis Monday. The Missouri Pacific had the honor of handling the shipment.

HOYT DODSON, AGED 15 FORGED \$200 CHECK

The Standard recently had a story of a youth attempting to purchase a used car from the Stubbs Motor Co., tendering a check purporting to be signed by F. W. Van Horne. He failed to put that deal through, but was not discouraged. Friday the same youth, Hoyt Dodson, 15 years of age, returned to the Stubbs Motor Co. with a check for \$200 and signed Van Horne. The check was drawn on the Bank of Sikeston and the money paid on the check. Everyone seemed to be satisfied until Saturday when Van Horne, a colored cotton raiser, needed \$25 of his \$215 he had in the Bank of Sikeston and drew a check for that small amount. He was told that his check for \$200 had been cashed the day before and the \$25 would overdraw his account. It was then that things started. The negro man denied giving the check and it was traced back to Hoyt Dodson, who told his father that he had drawn the car here in Sikeston and denied to the last that he had forged the negro's name, all in the face of half a dozen witnesses who were present when he purchased the car from the Stubbs Motor people.

Young Dodson is the son of Edwin Dodson living between Minner Switch and Blodgett and is thought to have a screw loose in his head. The father stands high in the estimation of his neighbors and as the car was taken back by the Stubbs people, the money placed to the credit of the negro man, it was thought best to turn the boy over to his father who took him home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Matthews spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

Miss Elsie Smart of New Madrid spent the week-end in Sikeston with friends.

Mrs. Walter Moore and daughter are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gipsom.

Chas. U. Becker is a candidate to succeed himself as Secretary of State on the Republican ticket. He has made a good officer but will probably be succeeded by a Democrat.

Mrs. Levi Cook and children left last Thursday for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Arthur De Smidt, in Oskosh, Wis. Miss Anna Randol accompanied them to Cairo.

A New Orleans barber complains that since women have been demanding equal rights in barber shops the last refuge of men disappears. Perhaps with all his loafing places broken up the fellow will go to work.—Clark McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

Mrs. W. P. Lambert, wife of the candy man, writing from Austin, Minn., has the following to say: "You will no doubt be glad to know that we have enjoyed your paper, it is one of the best papers published in its class. Everything in it is good and we hope you can keep right on growing, and for Sikeston we hope that every new enterprise will succeed. Since coming back to our old home we have done very well, but still remember the dear good people we learned to know in Sikeston."

Congressman Fulbright of this congressional district has introduced in the House a bill which provides that in case of sickness, accident or disability of any American scoldier of the World War, whether such disability was caused by army service or not the Government shall furnish hospitalization, medical care and support until the patient is restored to health and able to follow his usual occupation or profession. The benefits will accrue to those who came out of the war without a single defect as well as to those who were injured while in the service. In our opinion this is the best bill introduced or proposed for the benefit of the soldiers, and proves Congressman Fulbright's heart to be on the proper side. We believe this bill will pass in spite of the fact that it will likely meet with strenuous opposition from the millionaire-controlled members of Congress.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Nellie Wilson and Mrs. Florence Woodard were in New Madrid Thursday.

Mrs. Albert Deane, G. D. Steele and Miss Floe King were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Roe Hill is very ill at this writing. Mrs. F. E. Story, Mrs. O. K. Mainord and Mrs. G. D. Steele attended the show in Sikeston—Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Heath of Sikeston were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Several motored to New Madrid Friday to attend the trial of Guy Wilson and Will Marr. The trial was put off until the next term of Court.

Ted Atchley returned from Chicago, Wednesday, where he has been several months working.

Mrs. George is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and little son of Pharris Ridge spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alsop, Miss Lilith Deane and Alfred Deane were Sikeston visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Leonard Swartz, Frank Sibly, Fred Story, and Donald Story attended the show in Sikeston Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kerr of New Madrid were in Matthews Sunday.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Bob Bierschwal and Mr. McAdams of New Madrid were in Morehouse, Saturday, co-operating with the vocational department of the High School they are working to place a car of sodatol in Morehouse in the near future. Mr. McAdams is planning on holding four stump-blowing demonstrations in every direction from Morehouse.

Billie Dungan of Dexter was in this city on business, Friday.

E. L. Griffin and D. L. Fisher were Cape Girardeau visitors, Thursday.

E. O. Fisher and D. L. Fisher spent Friday in Sikeston.

Paul Teal was in Gray Ridge Saturday looking after his farming interests.

Phillip Banks drove to Cape Girardeau Sunday.

J. V. Baker and Mrs. Josephine Hart were in Sikeston, Friday.

Lonnie Harrison, Earnest Arterburn, A. C. Barrett and Loomis Mayfield of Sikeston attended the Masonic Chapter here on Saturday evening.

E. L. Crumpecker made a business trip to New Madrid Wednesday of last week.

Harry McFarling spent the week-end here with his family. Mr. McFarling travels for the Goodyear Rubber Company.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Driskill and daughter, Opal, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Driskill were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sullivan last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Driskill are moving from Pochontas, Ark., down south of Morehouse near the Cross-Roads School.

C. S. Hale of St. Louis was in Morehouse Saturday and Sunday. He is attorney for Federal Land Bank.

The Morehouse girls' basketball team played the Dexter team here Friday and won by a score of 12 to 21. Vera Wellman was the star player, making all the baskets but one. The boys' team went to Poplar Bluff and lost by a score of 49 to 26.

The Morehouse Cradinals played Canolou all stars here on Saturday night and won with a score of 14 to 41.

The Missionary ladies of the M. E. Church will meet with Mrs. J. W. Sarff Thursday.

The Triangle Club entertained a number of guests with a party Friday night. One of the features was a basketball game between the fat and lean ladies. After a very hard game the leans won by the score of 10 to 4. Dancing and refreshments were enjoyed by all.

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SOUTHEAST MISSOURI SHOWN IN MOVIES

The Scott County Farm Bureau and the Lions Club of Sikeston have arranged with Manager McCutchen to show the 3-reel film of past and present Southeast Missouri. This entertainment will be given Thursday evening, February 7, and should draw a packed house. There is no scene depicted in this film but what was taken right here in this corner of the State and never again can such primitive scenes be taken for the ox team is a thing of the past for logging purposes in Southeast Missouri.

The Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau has spent much time and money to make these pictures and the opportunity to view them should not be overlooked. After the films are shown in the picture houses of Southeast Missouri, they will be sent to other parts of the country that they may see what rapid strides we have made and are making to make this the Garden Spot of Eden.

WANTED—To buy a well located lot on which to build a home. West side of North Kingshighway preferred. Address E care Standard.

Z. P. Ogilvie of Charleston was a Sikeston visitor Monday. While here he called on The Standard office. Mr. Ogilvie is a carpenter and builder and will later be in Sikeston with Jno. Young.

On last Thursday evening, at the home of Miss Etha Dye, a miscellaneous shower was given for Mrs. Tanner Dye, formerly Miss Cora Matthews, by the Young People Missionary Society. About sixty young people were present and many beautiful and useful gifts were received by the young bride.

RETAIL MERCHANTS LEAGUE FUNCTIONING

The Merchants League have perfected a plan similar to Dun's and Bradstreet's to keep tab on that part of the community which seeks credit.

A card index system has been inaugurated, which shows the standing of every man who seeks credit at any of the stores of Sikeston. These cards will be kept by the secretary and any merchant who is a member of the League can secure the rating by asking for it. The man who pays cash or does not ask for credit gets the highest rating. The man, rich or poor, who pays every week, or when he promises to, comes next, and so on. The man who is financially able to pay cash or on call, but who is hard to collect from, is not given a good rating. If John Doe quits trading with Rich Roe and attempts to open a credit account somewhere else he has to show that his account is settled at his former trading pace before he can secure further credit. Those who are doubtful, slow or uncertain, will be so designated. This card index system is being put into effect now those who are using credit should make it a point to see that their accounts are given prompt attention in order to secure a good rating. In the course of a few weeks it is expected to organize every town within forty miles of Sikeston with central headquarters in this city, in order to keep tab on those who leave one community in debt and seek credit in another community. This is a sensible move and should be encouraged by every business man for miles around as bad bills have seriously crippled every merchant who has been and is doing a credit business. In the end it is hoped to get on a cash basis strictly.

INHUMAN FATHER PRACTICED INCEST

Frank Tolliver, a negro hailing from Caruthersville, is in jail at Benton, charged with the horrible crime of incest and the selling of his 15-year-old daughter to other negroes for immoral purposes. He was arrested along with his daughter and another negro man in a cabin in the north section of Sikeston Thursday night by officers. The negro cabin contained a single bed and the father and daughter were in the bed and it was apparent that the other negro man had occupied the bed at the same time. The girl, Irene, said her father was the cause of her downfall and that he bartered her to other men for money. The penalty is a life sentence or death, but being negroes, the prosecuting witnesses may disappear or change their story before date of trial.

White folks who rent cabins to negroes should know who and how many occupy them, or tear down the cabins before worse trouble arises. It looks like morality in the negro calendar is an unknown quantity.

WOOD FOR SALE

Beginning first of next week will have several carloads of stove and heating wood. \$2.50 per rank at car door, \$3.00 per rank, delivered. Phone order to 413. 3t

TRUCK SMASHED AT MO. P. CROSSING

The oil truck belonging to the Sikeston Oil Company and driven by Bob Grigsby, was hit by a Missouri Pacific engine at the crossing near the Pisco station Friday morning and completely wrecked. Grigsby, the driver, was severely cut about the head and bruised from one end to the other, but no bones broken. He is frightfully sore and will be for some time, but in no danger of shuffling off this mortal coil unless complications set in.

The oil truck engine was not working good and a car was pulling it, when the smashup happened. The car passed the crossing safely and Grigsby did not see the approaching engine in time to jump.

Woolard Baker of Memphis, Tenn., visited friends in Sikeston.

Mrs. Ed Wilson is home from a visit to Hayti and other points in Pemiscot County.

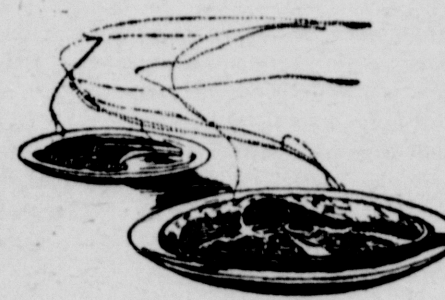
Preparations are now under way to open the highway through the E. C. Robinson Lumber Yard. Some lumber and shingles are piled in the yards and sand and gravel is on the grounds to place the foundations for such buildings as require concrete. The highway will hardly be open until early spring as road building is uncertain at this time of year.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom Scott as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce F. K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Parm A. Stone of Skeston for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

CHIEF OF POLICE
We are authorized to announce W. R. Burks for Chief of Police of Skeston, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

Sometimes we believe a committee of Christian Grandmothers would have a helpful effect on some erring people instead of the law officers sending them to other towns and to lower degradation. We can't help but feel that a heart-to-heart talk, the mingling of tears, a helpful hand and proper sort of encouragement would save souls and lift up the fallen.

The Hunter-Gibson Co., who put on an entertainment at the Mecca Hall last week for the benefit of themselves and the Chamber of Commerce, failed to make the enterprise pay in dollars and cents. The slack wire performer was as good as ever was, the booths were attractive, and the orchestra the best ever in the city. Cold weather and lack of patronage was the reason and no fault of the Hunter-Gibson people.

From St. Louis comes the news that Senator Reed has announced for the Presidency. Now from every section of the State the announcement should go forth that every Democratic voter who believes in the Wilson Administration and clean politics, will cast their vote for McAdoo as leader of Democracy in 1924. Reed the traitor, will attempt to pack the Democratic mass meetings with Republicans, so every Democrat who is against Reed and his brand of politics should attend the call meetings and see that no friends of the traitor is sent to the State Convention as a delegate.

We are glad to note that our worthy cotemporary has a few opinions, though he has said heretofore that the public did not care for opinions. His opinions on the two subjects mentioned in his last issue coincides with those of The Standard editor, hence, must be right. Wish he would express in print his opinion of the present Republican Administration sending arms and ammunition to one faction in Mexico to kill another faction, and refuse to be a party to a peace movement in Europe for fear it would mean war. Also, what is his opinion of the unsavory Tea Pot Dome and American Legion Graft. It might not be a bad idea to read if he believes the Mellon Tax Bill will help any of his farmer patrons. The Standard believes opinions will count if they are the right kind of opinions.



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POLITICAL LETTER FROM WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C., January 25.—Missouri is again taking the place in the House to which she is rightfully entitled by reason of her wealth, population, economic importance, history and traditions. In the last Congress the State had but two Democrats out of sixteen Members, one of the disastrous results of the Harding landslide of 1920, but in the present Congress she can boast of eleven Democrats—a larger proportionate gain than was made by any other State in the Union. Missouri is indeed fortunate in the character, ability, earnestness and faithfulness of these men. They are constantly on the job and making their presence felt in the Committee and on the floor. Of those who have been in previous Congresses, there is the veteran of ten years service, Judge Dickinson, than whom no man stands higher in the estimation of the House; Major Harry Hawes, back with a much increased majority and on the job in the House every day. Governor Rubey, Sam Major, Capt. Milligan and "Andy" Romjue, all rapidly becoming veterans. The other Democrats, Judge Lozier, Mayor Jost, Clarence Cannon, James F. Fulbright and J. Scott Wolf, are serving their first terms, but are widely and abundantly experienced in the law and in public service. One of them, Clarence Cannon, who represents the old Champ Clark district, spent nearly a dozen years in the employ of the House, as Journal Clerk and Parliamentary expert, so that Congressional work is an old story to him. Taking them up one side and down the other, no State has a better group of Representatives on the floor of the House. They have a foothold in some of the very best Committees of the House, and political changes and the mutations of time will move them higher with each succeeding Congress. If one is to judge from the accounts which come from Missouri, the next election will enlarge rather than reduce the present Democratic delegation from the State.

Some of the Democrats feel that it is almost unnecessary for them to flay the administration, for it is being done almost every day by leaders of the President's own party. One of the latest explosions comes from the wealthy and dignified Senator Couzens of Michigan. Here is some of his language delivered point-blank on the floor of the Senate and with full knowledge that it would be read by the Secretary of the Treasury and some millions of others: "More dishonest statements, misstatements if not absolute falsehoods, have been handed out at the Treasury for the purpose of misleading the public than ever were issued by a public department in my recollection. * * * It is the duty of the Senate to find out the motives back of propaganda and misstatements. In a statement issued by the Secretary of the Treasury a few days ago he made the statement that all surtaxes are passed on to the consumer, and therefore a reduction of surtaxes would create a reduction in the cost of living. A school-boy would know better than to make such a statement as that, and yet he is heralded throughout the press of the country as the Hamilton of the Treasury. There never was a greater representative of the moneyed interests of the country in the Treasury Department than there is at this particular time, and yet he has the impudence to bring into public discussion the private affairs of a citizen whose record he has, and he is the only man in the country who has that record." In this Senator Couzens was referring to Secretary Mellon's charge that Senator Couzens had put part of his money into tax-exempt securities.

A dispatch from Pittsburgh to a Washington newspaper exclaims at the wonderful self-abnegation of Mr. Mellon in accepting a job in the cabinet at twelve thousand per year when he could be making millions in Pittsburgh. It is to be wondered if any poor fish believes that Mr. Mellon is not making as many millions at Pittsburgh as before he came to Washington. In addition to this, he has witnessed, since he has been in the Treasury, the cutting of his corporation taxes, largely at his own hands, and the cutting of his personal taxes. Now he is seeking to put through his Relief for Needy Millionaires; all of these things profit Mr. Mellon about as much as they benefit any other man in America. More, he has seen the Congress, in daily consultation with the experts employed in his Department, raise the import taxes on aluminum wares to such an extent as to benefit himself, the biggest aluminum manufacturer in the land, by millions. His presence here at twelve thousand salary has, in this one matter alone, made him a fortune for each year that is to come

until the day when the awakened intelligence of the people cuts the life out of these tariff rats which are, all unseen, eating at their vitals. In order to further enrich this multi-millionaire, every housewife in the land has to pay tribute to the aluminum-king—King Andy the First.

He who likes to indulge in muck-raking can easily get a stomach-full under the present administration. Aside from the Mellon performances, there are the sickening disclosures connecting Secretary Fall with presents ranging from cattle to cash, alleged to have been passed about in Harry Sinclair's deal to get hold of Teapot Dome. Then there is the Forbes case—two thousand pages of the horrible details of the manipulations by Forbes and his associates of the funds which Congress and the people intended should go to the use of our sick and wounded soldiers. All of this evidence has been in the hands of Attorney General Daugherty for months, yet he has not turned a wheel in the direction of performing the duties which he is under oath to perform. There are three members of the cabinet, with Denby's actions in the Teapot Dome lease still to be looked into. Now we are about to have an investigation which will remind the public of the tragedy of the late Senator J. Ralph Burton of Kansas, who was yanked from his seat in the Senate because of a violation of that Statute which makes it unlawful for a member of House or Senate to act as an attorney in any case before a department of the government. The investigation will be into the allegations relative to the propriety of the actions of Senator Spencer, Republican from Missouri, in connection with the Pouke Fur Co., of St. Louis, which holds a secret compact with Secretary Hoover's Department (cabinet officer No. 5 to be mentioned in this article) for the exploitation of the Pribiloff Islands seal herd. It is stated that under this contract the Government gets less than two dollars per skin for the seal skins. (A good muskrat skin will now bring about this amount in the market.) When these skins are dyed and made into a garment the rate skin goes up into the hundreds of dollars. This company presented Mrs. Harding with a coat (Senator Spencer being present) which was said at the time to be worth two thousand dollars. In the Senatorial discussions which led up to the ordering of a committee investigation of Senator Spencer, the fact was brought out that the fur company had mailed Senator Spencer checks totaling more than eighty-one thousand dollars, payable to Spencer and Donnell. While they were payable to the law firm, it is alleged they were mailed from the fur company's offices in St. Louis to Senator Spencer in Washington, while Mr. Donnell was in St. Louis.

Great Rebuilding Force

The greatest community reconstructive force of rebuilding burned homes, business places, industries and cities devastated by conflagrations is insurance.

In England they speak of it as assurance. But insurance or assurance, the idea expressed is one of the main objects of intelligent life and social organization.

Human society is an invention evolved and perfected through the ages by mankind for the purpose of giving its members insurance or assurance against misfortunes and provision for needs. There is no human service that makes a stronger appeal to the mind that is rational and mature.

Insurance of property is an economic problem, a business. It is much more. Insurance is in the main founded on the qualities of human mind and heart which make civilized society possible.

For it is the man who is willing to make sacrifice for others and who has intelligence and self-control enough to seek provision for misfortune who makes civilized society possible.

Insurance will spread with the spread of popular intelligence. It is one of the chief factors in American prosperity and well-being and its importance is steadily increasing. It is a business, but it is also and above all, service. It has been built up by private initiative and enterprise.

SNOW IS FORECAST IN MIDDLE OF WEEK

Washington, January 27.—Weather outlook for week beginning Monday:

Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys—Generally fair except snows probable middle of the week; normal temperature first half, considerably colder latter half.

West Gulf States—Fair and rising temperature first part, unsettled and rains middle of the week, fair and colder later part.

BRYAN GIVES HIS IDEA OF THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

New York, January 22.—The Democratic party will face the voters in the presidential campaign in November with a platform calling for taxation and tariff reduction, a soldiers' bonus and legislation to aid labor and agriculture, and a general program opposed to class government, William Jennings Bryan, thrice candidate for the presidency, said last night at a dinner given by James W. Gerard, former Ambassador to Germany.

The primary issue in the campaign, which he predicted would be the most hotly contested in many years, Bryan said, would be taxation. The Democratic substitute for the Mellon tax reduction bill, he declared, gave greater reductions and "discriminated in favor of the masses instead of the holders of large incomes." He expressed the opinion that party lines in Congress would break on consideration of the measure which he asserted, would more resemble the Democratic bill than the Mellon measure, when it reached the President.

The speaker criticized the Republican administration for its alleged refusal to aid the farmers, declaring the "usual was based not on hostility to agriculture but on an unconscious bias in favor of the commercial interests. He asserted the Democrats intended remedial legislation both for the farmers and for labor.

Because the present Supreme Court attempted "to set up the opinion of conservative judges against social progress," Bryan said, it was likely both parties would favor a constitutional amendment requiring six or seven judges to concur in nullifying legislation.

MORE ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

Poplar Bluff, Mo., January 24.—The Union Electric Light and Power Company service in several more towns in Southeast Missouri is a probability and it is virtually a certainty that the service will be extended to a number of new points in the near future. The construction of the connecting link between the eastern terminus of the original Poplar Bluff transmission system at Dexter and the western terminus of the Cape Girardeau district at Moberly has been finished and the Cape Girardeau and the Poplar Bluff systems are nearing the point where service is interchangeable.

The installation of the big 1000-kilowatt substation in his city has been completed. An election will be held in the city of Essex on February 5 to vote on granting a franchise to the Union Company and including a contract for fourteen street lights. If the franchise is granted the company will be ready to turn current into Essex in thirty days.

Mayor Dees of Bernie is circulating a petition among the citizens of the town to bring the company into that city. A franchise already has been granted in the name of an individual. Malden, Bloomfield and Puxico also has sought to interest the Union company in establishing business connections in those cities and some investigations of the feasibility of the propositions have been made by the officials of the company.

Under prohibition many New York hotels have increased their charges for various items of attendance. An American was explaining these charges to an English visitor. "And then, of course," he concluded, "there is the hat boy."

"Who's he?" asked the Englishman.

"He's the fellow you give your hat to when you come in and buy it back from when you go out."—London Express.



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Read and Ponder

Please publish for the welfare of the poor working women with no education and little children to support:

Beware of the male race. Now take those women and young women with an education and old down an office job or a school Miss, they can be caught at the very act, but they are So and So. Oh, she's a stenographer, or she is Mr. and Mrs. So and So's daughter, her dad's a moneyman. We can't afford to turn her down. She goes on. People still hold her up, she is more careful, from then on plays the game more on the sly. Take a woman no one to help her and a little child to support, no one to look to for a penny and has such a mother's love in her heart, that some money man comes along, helps her out and she falls, and gives that man her strength, soul and body for the sake of her child. Maybe this man helps this woman out when in deep trouble. A real mother, one who devotes all her life and time to her child, ruins her own life to keep her child in her arms, so when these cold winter nights, when the north wind sounds pitiful moans and the kettle sings on the stove, she can draw her child to her bosom and say her babe is warm and not hungry and through this consolation the mother does not realize what might happen. She goes on and on and if the man should be a married man, the wife catches on, and oh, boy! look out. That poor woman is worse than a snake to the public. Everyone kicks her down. Mrs. Jones goes over to Mrs. Smith's, "oh did you hear about Mrs. So and So and Mr. So and So." "Oh, that is awful, merciful Heavens and Oh Gee" and from house to house it goes, and Mrs. Jones goes home and begins to talk to herself, and someone listening hears her say, "of course she is not doing any worse than me or other women, but no one knows it on me, oh gee! I hope I don't get caught at my game. Anyway, I can't afford to let this woman work for me. I can't afford to let people see me go there." Even though her own conscience tells her she is just as good as she is. So the wife gets very mad at this woman, and what's the use to get mad at the other woman and damage her. Kick the man, beat him up, let this one woman alone, if it had not been her it would have been some other woman. There are more women playing the game

today who has a fine car to ride in and a swell home to live in and a husband for protection than there is working women. What's a woman today to do. She has a home to keep up her rent to pay, herself and child to feed and cloth, her fuel to buy. She goes to an old factory, gets seven or eight dollars a week. Maybe starts in with six. What is she to do? And you that are without sin, cast a stone at her and when the good Judgment days come, the woman won't get all the blame. The men with her will suffer for their sins same as the woman. Oh, what a consolation—An Interster Party.

Of foreign foes our country has no

fears. Our greatest menace is multiplication and needless extension of governmental functions and regulations by state and nation.

Bureaucracy is the canker-worm at the root of our government, federal and local. If it is not blocked in its slow, unseen attacks, something is going to happen. The present administration is tackling the evil in calling for immediate reduction in expenditures. The budget system, inaugurated under a former administration, is hopeful against further approachments; but the worm is heavily entrenched and it grows on what it eats (taxes) and spreads its power to new places every season.

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The Farmer and the Railroads

THIS is the third of a series of articles about the railway transportation situation and its relation to Agriculture. This article, which deals with production costs, shows the parallel positions in which the railroads and the farmers find themselves.

Railroads have only one thing to sell—and that is SERVICE.

The production of that service has grown to be the second largest industry in America—second only in importance to Agriculture. The production of transportation service involves the labor of 2,000,000 men, 400,000 miles of railroad tracks, 68,718 locomotives, 56,900 passenger train cars, not to mention terminals, stations, freight houses, round houses, shops and other vast properties required.

Taxes, fuel, wages, material and supplies are the principal items entering into the cost of producing transportation. In 1922 taxes (Local, State and Federal) increased 91 Million over 1917; fuel increased 170 Million; pay rolls increased 942 Million; and material and supplies increased 500 Million Dollars.

To meet an ever-increasing demand for more and better service to care for a traffic which is doubling every ten years, funds for a higher standard of railroad maintenance and operation, and for improvements, additions and betterments to the railroad plant of a Billion Dollars each year must be forthcoming.

The railroads do not fix the rates charged for the service they are called upon to render. The Interstate Commerce Commission and various State commissions fix those. One result is that railroads paid in 1922 more in taxes than in dividends!

The point is that the railroads find themselves in exactly the same position as the Farmer. The Farmers must buy in a market where the price is "fixed by the other fellow" and they are forced to sell their products on markets where again, the price is "fixed by the other fellow." The only difference is that the law of supply and demand largely determines the prices of both what the Farmer buys and sells while that law works only one way for the railroads. On the selling end, it is the government agencies that say what the railroads shall receive for their service.


That the railroads have managed to make headway, especially in the last year, is a tribute to the efficiency of railway managements. That Agriculture has encountered difficulties certainly is not the fault of the railroads.

AND REDUCING FREIGHT RATES WILL NOT HELP THE GENERAL SITUATION ANY MORE THAN FURTHER REDUCTIONS IN THE PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS WILL HELP.

Another factor that must be considered is that more than a million men are employed in steel mills, coal mines, lumber mills, and other allied industries almost wholly dependent upon the railroads for their livelihood. Taking away the income of the railroads and forcing a curtailment in their expenditures for labor and material would destroy the purchasing power of this vast army of consumers of farm products.

The cost of producing railroad transportation will depend always, to an immeasurable extent, upon the character of service demanded of the railways. The railroads are today giving to America the best and cheapest transportation service in the world. I do not believe that America will ever be satisfied with less.

I solicit your co-operation and suggestions.



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NEW MUSCLE SHOALS OFFER BY SOUTHERN CONCERNS

Washington January 25.—A proposal for manufacture of fertilizers at Muscle Shoals, Ala., under processes designed to reduce its cost to farmers to "less than half" the present prices, has been worked out by three experts in fixed nitrogen production in association with the three Southern power companies that have offered \$100,000,000 for a 50-year lease on the Government's war-time project.

The proposal, prepared for submission to Secretary Weeks today, contemplates formation of a \$5,000,000 corporation to manufacture up to 50,000 tons of fertilizer annually at Nitrate Plant No. 1, the rental for which will be fixed by Congress.

The proposal calls for the maintenance of Plant No. 2, in condition for emergency operation by the Government and relinquishment of Plant No. 1 on 90 days notice if needed for national defense.

The power companies participating in the new offer are the Tennessee Electric Power Co., the Memphis Power and Light Co., and the Alabama Power Co.

Representatives of the Union Carbide Co. of New York today appeared before the House Military Committee to explain the concerns over manufacture of fertilizer at Muscle Shoals. Under the offer, it was pointed out \$1,500,000 would be paid out annually by the company for power generated at Dam No. 2 and a rental of \$150,000 yearly would be paid for Nitrate Plant No. 2. The committee was told that 100,000 tons of fertilizer would be produced annually.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

A bank robber under arrest in Memphis for complicity in the hold-up of a bank in a Salt Lake City suburb, wanted also in Canada, expresses his willingness to face charges in Utah, but he will resist any attempt to take him back to Canada.

A bandit caught in a sensational raid in Minneapolis was found to be a fugitive from Canadian justice. He was anxious to go into the Minneapolis courts and plead guilty, but in vain. Taken back to the Dominion, he has been given a life sentence for burglaries and robberies, with a periodical lashing thrown in.

It is all very instructive. Why do lawbreakers fight against being tried in the courts of Canada? Why do they prefer to take chances in the courts of the United States? Because in Canada justice is swift and unerring and there is no maudlin sympathy wasted upon confirmed evildoers.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Lofty thoughts do not fill the belly, but they nourish the soul.

SOME SCOTT COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

Trustees of district parsonage of M. E. Church South to G. W. Arterburn lots 1, 2 blk. 3 Applegate 2nd addition, Sikeston, \$1.

T. W. Stehlin to O. W. and D. M. McCutchen, part lot 1, all lot 2, part lot 3, blk 10, Sikeston, \$25,000.

Bettie Matthews to E. C. Robinson Lumber Co., part outblock 29, Sikeston, \$5.

Jesse Miller to Chas. Burger, 1,813 acres and 2.5 acres surveys 2879 and 2478, \$7000.

Peter Enderle et al to Hugo Le Grand, 80 acres 16-28-13, \$1.

J. H. Yount to Mary Marshall, lot 6 outblock 24, Sikeston, \$12,200.

L. M. Stallcup to Harry Cole, part lots 18, 19, 20 block 2 Sikeston, \$18,000.

H. G. Townsend to First State Bank of Illinois, lot 1, 2 block 4 Uelmann add, Illinois, \$1.

T. J. Thompson to W. J. Page, lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Crowder, \$1.

R. E. Wiley to A. F. Lindsay, lot 4 and part of 3 block 5 Applegate 2nd addition Sikeston, \$1500.

Leo Becker to D. W. Chapman, 280 acres 21-27-14, \$100.

Leo Becker to D. W. Chapman, 215.5 acres 2-27-13, \$100.

E. C. Matthews to Odes Godwin, lot 9 block 11 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1800.

E. N. Leech to Elmos Taylor, lot 3 block 5 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$150.

S. H. Hampton to C. D. Jones, lots 5, 6 block 25 McCoy-Tanner 6th addition Sikeston, \$200.

S. H. Hampton to E. B. Ward, lot 6 and part lot 5 block 10 McCoy-Tanner 3rd addition Sikeston, \$100.

Wylie & Packwood to Ed Ervin, 3 acres 18-29-13, \$1500.

Daniels Fish to Wm. Lancaster, land in 17-28-13, \$900.

J. G. Powell to L. D. Boswell, 76.815 acres 29-26-13, \$8415.

J. G. Powell to James Dye, 76.815 Clyde Roberts to Wylie & Packwood, lot 21 block 41, Chaffee, \$1500.

J. T. Huey to O. F. Anderson, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 block 2 Smith addition Blodgett, \$1.

Elmos Taylor to E. N. Leech, lot 17 block 50 McCoy-Tanner 9th add. Sikeston, \$1800.

Bettie Matthews et al to J. N. Walker, lot 7 Matthews 2nd addition Sikeston, \$1500.

J. M. Morgan to C. E. Sutton, lots 3, 4, 5 block 3 Blumenberg addition Farnett, \$1257.99.

M. V. Harris to Mayme Harris, lots 3, 4 block 4 McPheters addition Benton, \$1.

E. A. Lawrence to L. M. Stallcup, lots 5, 6 Stallcup 1st addition Sikeston, \$1.

C. D. Matthews, Jr., to J. L. West, lot 4 block 9 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1.

C. D. Matthews, Jr., to J. Otto Hahn, lot 20 block 12 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$1.

F. S. Bice to Earl Keen, lot 7 blk. 1 Bice 3rd addition Perkins, \$100.

F. S. Bice to R. C. Willett, lot 16 block 1 Bice 3rd addition Perkins, \$160.

P. J. Newell to D. P. Lincoln, lot 6 blk. 15 Chaffee, \$750.

Lou's Schott to Joe Trammell, 39.4 acres 20-29-13, \$1300.

Lawrence Welter to A. A. Beik, lots 3, 4 block 3 Ellis-Greer-James 1st addition Ance, \$1400.

W. P. Wilkerson to Lucille Hilleman, lot land part lot 2 block 1 Applegate 1st addition Sikeston, \$1.

W. B. Fowler to Nettie Bartlett, lots 17, 18, 19, 20 block 20 McCoy-Tanner 4th addition Sikeston, \$3200.—Benton Democrat.

LARGENT NAMED ON STATE BOARD

Jefferson City January 24.—Gov. Hyde has appointed W. W. Largent of Portageville, New Madrid County, a member of the State Board of Pharmacy for a term of five years to succeed R. A. Doyle of East Prairie, Mississippi County, whose term expired. The Board is now entirely Republican in politics. Doyle was the last Democrat.

BOY IS KILLED WITH A SNOWBALL

Perryville, January 26.—Harry Roberts, 7 years old, is dead at his home near Belieu from a blow from a frozen snowball, thrown by a companion. The child was hit in the abdomen by the snowball on January 16, and died two days later. Physicians said that the blow caused an internal hemorrhage. The child was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roberts and is survived by six brothers and three sisters.

LIQUIDATION SALE FOR CASH ONLY

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ORAN, MO.

MOREHOUSE MAN HAS DISAPPEARED

Morehouse January 25.—Friends here are mystified by the disappearance of Rainey Watson, 36, a newspaper agent, who disappeared from Morehouse Monday afternoon and has not since been seen. At the time he is alleged to have been last seen he had approximately \$300 in cash, friends say, and they suspect foul play.

Reports are that he was last seen going toward the swamps near here. Some believe he has gone to join his children, who are making their home in Arkansas. His wife lives here.

NO MORE "FORDS FREE"

Upon information furnished by certain merchants in this city, prosecuting Attorney C. A. Powell has served notice that the giving of automobiles and other prizes in the manner heretofore practiced in Dexter and various other towns throughout the country, must stop in Stoddard county.

It seems that such practice has been classed as a lottery and is therefore, unlawful. While this action was not entirely unexpected, it is nevertheless deplored by merchants of this city who were favorable to the proposition, as well as the purchasing public who appreciated the spirit in which the gift distributions were made.

No one connected with the proposition had any thought of seeking to violate the law or of committing a wrong. The coupons were given in a spirit of appreciation of patronage and the prizes were awarded in the hope of fostering a closer and friendlier relationship between the city and the community it strives to serve. However, the plan was not acceptable to some and a law was found that seems to prohibit it, so if you have an auto coupons of issue F, please forget it.—Dexter Statesman.

Women have brains like men but they fetter them by dependence.

Bad women have wrecked more nations than war, famine and pestilence.

Napoleon's family might still be ruling if he had kept out of Russia. He is the greatest example of a man who went too far.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Louis Hinkle, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such administratrix at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1924.

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Black-Draught Found Valuable by a Texas Farmer, Who Has Known Its Usefulness Over 30 Years.

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"I am 43 years old, and when a small boy I had indigestion and was puny, and my folks gave me a liver regulator. Then Black-Draught was advertised and we heard of it.

"I began to take Black-Draught, and have used it, when needed, ever since. I use Black-Draught now in my home, and certainly recommend it for any liver trouble."

"I have given it a thorough trial, and after thirty years can say Black-Draught is my stand-by. It has saved me many sick spells."

Mr. Cromer writes that he is "never out of Black-Draught," and says several of his neighbors prefer it to any other liver medicine. "I always recommend Black-Draught to my friends," he adds.

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I will offer for sale at the McCord Sale Barn in Sikeston, Missouri, on

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